



Diocesan Bulletin

Dec. 3, 2023 - First Sunday of Advent

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*In all things we are rooted in Christ,
in His desire to bring God's love to all peoples.*

Upcoming Events

African Advent Mass – The African Catholic Community invites you to a Joyous Advent Mass and Potluck on the **First Sunday of Advent, Dec. 3**, at St. Michael Catholic Church, 18-33rd St. E. Saskatoon, with Mass at 2 p.m. and a potluck meal to follow. The celebration will include music by the choir and a children's nativity procession. Everyone is welcome.

Conversations in the Spirit of Truth and Reconciliation: Join The Micah Mission at Wanuskewin, 4 Penner Road, Saskatoon, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Monday, Dec. 4** for a learning series diving into the theme of justice. Cost is \$30. Contact info@themicahmission.org for information and to buy tickets.

Power in Planning - Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 300-8th Ave. S, Martensville, is hosting a Power in Planning presentation 7 p.m. **Monday, Dec. 4**, open to the community and other parishes. Learn the importance of planning your gifts for your family and for charity. To register, contact: Chantelle Higgins at chiggins@rcdos.ca or (306) 931-3111. To book a similar session, contact Raissa Bugyi at Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation at rbugyi@dscf.ca or (306) 659-5837.

Women's Discernment Night will be held at 7 p.m. **Thursday, Dec. 7**, at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 1235-12th Street E., Saskatoon, for young women who are seeking the Lord's direction in their life. For more information, contact Sr. Malou Tibayan of Verbum Dei at mtibayan@rcdos.ca.

Prayer Campaign for Chastity - "Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind" (Rom. 12:2). Meeting the temptations of pornography and sexual license with the gifts of fraternal communion, the Word of God, and the Blessed Mother, the venerable **Angelic Warfare Confraternity** offers to members a holy way to virtue. Join in prayer with St. Thomas Aquinas for yourself, other members, or friends and family. Delegated by the Dominican Fathers, Fr. Stefano Penna will conduct the Rite of Enrolment at 6:30 p.m. **Friday, Dec. 8** the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (Mass to follow) at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cr. E. Saskatoon.

A Croatian Mass will be held at 7 p.m. **Sunday, Dec. 10** at St. Philip Neri Parish (corner of Taylor Street and Munroe Avenue, Saskatoon, with Rev. Domin Vladic from Calgary as celebrant. There will be lunch and fellowship after Mass. For more information, please contact Lydia at (306) 242-9214.

Knights of Columbus - Brother's Keepers Men's Breakfast will be held from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. **Tuesday, Dec. 12** at Queen's House, Saskatoon. Call Brendan at (306) 242-1916.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation in Advent

Parishes across our diocese have various opportunities for confession during Advent. Please check with your local parish for up-to-date details or check postings on the Advent-Christmas schedule: rcdos.ca/advent-christmas-schedule/

Saskatoon Penitential Services with Confessions:

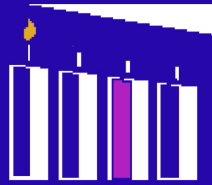
- 3:30 pm **Saturday, Dec. 9:** Sts-Martyrs-Canadiens, 1007 Windsor Street (*Francophone parish*).
- 7 pm **Monday, Dec. 11:** St. Peter the Apostle, 1121 Northumberland Ave. (Vietnamese Catholic community)
- 5:30 pm **Tuesday, Dec. 12:** St. Francis Xavier, 222 Willow St.
- 7 pm **Wednesday, Dec. 13:** Holy Spirit, 114 Kingsmere Place.
- 7 pm **Wednesday, Dec. 13:** St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cr.
- 7 pm **Thursday, Dec. 14:** St. John Bosco, 1202 Avenue O S.
- 7 pm **Friday, Dec. 15:** Saint Anne, 217 Lenore Drive (*in conjunction with Eucharistic adoration event "Source"*).
- 7 pm **Friday, Dec. 15:** St. Joseph, 535-8th St. E.
- 7 pm **Tuesday, Dec. 19:** Our Lady of Lourdes, 1235-12th St. E.
- 7 pm **Wednesday, Dec. 20:** St. Augustine, 602 Boychuk Dr.
- 5 pm **Thursday, Dec. 21:** St. Mary, 211 Avenue O S.

Other confession opportunities in Saskatoon:

- 11 am **Monday to Saturday** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cres. E. (*with adoration, followed by daily Mass*).
- 11 am **Friday and Saturday / 7 p.m. Thursday** at Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road (*followed by daily Mass*).

Rural-Area Penitential Services with Confessions:

- St. Gabriel, **Biggar** - 7 pm Wednesday, Dec. 13.
- St. Michael, **Cudworth** - 7:30 pm Wednesday, Dec. 20.
- Sacred Heart, **Denzil** - 7 pm Wednesday, Dec. 20.
- Our Lady of Grace, **Dodsland** - 7 pm Thursday, Dec. 21.
- Christ the King, **Foam Lake** - 6:30 pm Thursday, Dec. 21.
- Our Lady of the Assumption, **Kerrobert** - 7 pm Wed. Dec. 13.
- Sacred Heart, **Lancer** - After 11 am Mass Sunday, Dec. 17.
- St. Mary, **Lanigan** - 7 pm Thursday Dec 21.
- Little Flower, **Leader** - 7 pm Friday, Dec. 15.
- Sacred Heart, **Liebenthal** - After 7:30 pm Mass Sat., Dec. 16.
- St. Eugene de Mazenod, **Luseland** - 5 pm Tuesday, Dec. 19.
- St. Mary, **Macklin** - 7 pm Friday, Dec. 15.
- Immaculate Conception, **Major** - 7 pm Wednesday, Dec. 20.
- Immaculate Heart of Mary, **Martensville** - 7 pm Tues. Dec. 12.
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help, **Wishart** - 6:30 pm Tues. Dec. 19.
- St. Mary, **Wynyard** - 6:30 pm Monday, Dec. 18.



Diocesan Prayer - We pray as a diocesan family for all those suffering loss, experiencing struggles, grief, sickness, or poverty. May our Loving God inspire and equip us to be a community of caring and support that provides help and healing.

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Prison Outreach at Christmas - The diocesan Restorative Ministry Office is again seeking monetary donations to purchase small, identical gifts for the men at the Saskatoon Correctional Centre, as a way to share our Christmas joy and let them know they are not forgotten by God or the community. In addition, the prison ministry office is collecting blank Christmas cards for men to use to send greetings to family members in the community. Monetary donations and/or donations of blank cards can be dropped off or mailed "Attention Dianne" at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, second floor, Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, S7S 1H1. The Catholic Centre is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (please make cheques out to "Restorative Ministry"). Donations can also be made online at dscf.ca/designated-ministry-support (choose "Prison Ministry - Christmas" in the drop-down box).

Soul Works: Pottery and Art Exhibit and Sale will be held 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. **Saturday, Dec. 9**, and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, at Queen's House, 601 Taylor St. W., Saskatoon, featuring the work of artists Anita Verlangen, Dean Bauche, Madeline Oliver, and Gisele Bauche.

An Advent Retreat for Young Adults will be held 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. **Sunday, Dec. 10** at Sts. Benedict and Scholastica Formation House, 1136 Temperance Street, Saskatoon. To register for this free event, please contact Sr. Marta Piano of the Verbum Dei Missionary Fraternity at mpiano@rcdos.ca or (306) 370-5951. (Sts. Benedict and Scholastica Formation Program is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)

Employment Opportunities

Full-time Parish Life Director (PLD) for Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Saskatoon to provide day-to-day management of the parish, which serves First Nations, Métis, Indigenous, and non-Indigenous parishioners. An Indigenous background and a firm understanding of Indigenous history, cultures, and spirituality is an asset. Find the job description at rcdos.ca/employment. To apply, submit cover letter and resumé to Fr. Graham Hill, CSSR, at ghill@rcdos.ca.

Full-time Coordinator of Evangelization and Youth Ministry for Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, a vibrant, thriving faith community serving Martensville, Warman, and surrounding areas, to work in collaboration with the pastor and parish leadership to invite members of the congregation and the wider community to enter into a meaningful relationship with Jesus. Find the job description at rcdos.ca/employment. Submit cover letter and resumé to ihmp@rcdos.ca. **before Dec. 29.**

Part-time position at CWL Clothing Depot in Saskatoon, with a possibility of additional hours in future: the applicant should share the CWL Clothing Depot's value of service to those in need. Contact Bea at the CWL Clothing Depot, 619 - 20th St. W., Saskatoon (306) 242-5042 or drop off resumé at the back door of the Clothing Depot where donations are accepted (ring the bell) 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday to Friday.



Icon of the Sacred Heart 2017
written by Andre J. Prevost in
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Crow Chief of Siksika Nation.

Indigenous Pastoral & Lay Leader Ministry Education

The diocesan **Indigenous Pastoral & Lay Leader Ministry Education** program is led by teams of Indigenous and non-Indigenous instructors, modelling respectful and reconciling relationships.

NEW COURSE! Contemporary Effects of Colonization II: Social Justice

Jan. 9, 2024 to March 5, 2024

4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday afternoons

Offered online

Cost: \$200 per course (some funding assistance available)

No pre-requisite necessary to take this course.

Those completing eight courses will earn a diploma.

Information and Registration:

rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education

"Following Jesus to the Manger" Advent Retreat: Little Flower Parish in Leader will host an Advent Retreat from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. **Sunday, Dec. 10**, beginning with Mass at 11 a.m., followed by lunch at noon, with children's activities from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., and a 1 p.m. presentation by guest speaker Leah Perrault, followed by coffee and conversation. All are welcome.

Diocesan Cenacle of Prayer will be held at 3 pm. **Wednesday, Dec. 13** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Crescent, Saskatoon. Information: Edna (306) 382-1680.

A Priest Discernment Night will be held 7 p.m. **Thursday, Dec. 14** at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 1235-12th Street E., Saskatoon for men interested in reflecting, discussing, and praying about their vocational path. For information contact Fr. Daniel Yasinski at dvasinski@rcdos.ca (306) 834-2269; or Fr. Colin Roy at croy@rcdos.ca (306) 256-3218. (Vocation promotion is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)

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